

## Declaration on Safeguarding Children and Adults

The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust is committed to meeting its statutory requirements in order to keep children, young people and adults at risk of harm safe. This includes our patients and their families/carers.

The Clatterbridge provides specialist services over a wide remit encompassing Cheshire, Merseyside, Isle of Man and North Wales.

This includes sites in Liverpool and Wirral and satellite services within other hospitals including:

- Aintree Hospital
- Halton Hospital
- Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital
- St Helens Hospital
- The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Liverpool
- The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Wirral

The Home Treatment Team provides chemotherapy services within the community.

**Based on the following, the Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust confirms it has considered its position is assured it is meeting its requirements and is following good practice.**

## The Safeguarding Team

The Safeguarding Team provides specialist advice, guidance and training to Trust staff in all matters relating to safeguarding. The Team ensures appropriate policies and procedures are in place and reviewed on an annual basis.

Role specific mandatory training, as identified in the Intercollegiate Documents for Adults (2018), Children (2019) and Looked after Children (2020), is in place.



Learning & Development, Safeguarding Teams, and divisional leads closely monitor compliance.

The Trust is committed to partnership working with stakeholders including Liverpool Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB), Liverpool Safeguarding Children Partnership and Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board (ICB). The team has regular attendance at LSAB sub groups, Prevent Regional Forum and presents to Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) amongst various other groups as required.

The Safeguarding Team provides assurance of compliance within internal work plans and external safeguarding duties such as participation in national benchmarking exercises and key performance indicators. The team provide assurance via audit, data collection and themes & trends analysis and therefore fulfils its statutory duty under S11 of the Children Act 2004, Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018, The Care Act 2014 and Regulation 13 (CQC).

### Governance

There is a clear line of accountability in place for safeguarding within the Trust:

- The executive lead for safeguarding is the Chief Nurse
- There is a nonexecutive lead for safeguarding
- The safeguarding service is led by the Deputy Chief Nurse and is supported by the Named Nurse for Safeguarding and Safeguarding Practitioner
- There is a Named Doctor in place for Safeguarding
- The Safeguarding Practitioner acts as the Trust Prevent Lead

The Trust's safeguarding committee meets on a quarterly a basis and chaired by the Deputy Chief Nurse. Membership includes representatives across the divisions and external colleagues including the designated professionals for safeguarding within the ICB.

Progress, oversight and assurance against delivery of the Trust safeguarding work plans is reported and monitored by the Trust Safeguarding Committee. There is an



escalation process in place for concerns to be reported to Trust Board via Patient Safety Committee.

### Safer Staffing

Under the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 and the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 the Trust complies with requirements of the Home Office Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) in order to ensure that appropriate level of pre-employment checks are carried out during the recruitment process particularly those engaging in Regulated Activity. This monitored by the HR team.



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